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was sectioned and smears made from the interior of the gland. Great quantities of bacilli were found. No cultures or further experiments could be carried on, owing to lack of facilities. All other persons in the house have been placed in quarantine and will be held two weeks. I have little doubt that other cases have occurred here in the past and not been reported, as mentioned in my letter of March 12, 1901.

Respectfully, H. A. STANSFIELD,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

P. A. Surg. J. C. PERRY,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands, Manila, P. I.

Institution of an outgoing quarantine.

MANILA, P. I., *April 10, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that I had no difficulty in instituting the outgoing quarantine, as I impressed the different steamship agents that it was a protection to their boats, and with their assistance the work could be accomplished without delay to their vessels.

This inspection work was promptly started and has progressed without friction, although it has much increased the work of this already busy office.

Respectfully, J. C. PERRY,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PORTO RICO.

Report from Ponce.

PONCE, P. R., *May 7, 1901.*

SIR: Through chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended May 4, 1901; also report of immigrants, the summary of transactions of this station, and mortality report of the city for the month of April, 1901.

Three vessels were inspected and passed and 7 bills of health were issued.

Since last report 5 new cases of smallpox have appeared and 9 cases recovered. Thirteen are still under treatment. No deaths.

Respectfully, W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

Number and causes of deaths in Ponce jurisdiction (city, playa, and surrounding country) during the month of April, 1901.

Diseases of—		Dysentery (not epidemic)	1
Digestive system	51	Tetanus (infantile)	1
Respiratory system	16	La grippe	1
Circulatory system	15	Drowning	1
Nervous system	3	Sarcoma	1
Anæmia, malnutrition, inanition	26		
Malaria	19	Total	145
Tuberculosis	10		

Number of deaths reported during April, 1901 (a)	145
Number of deaths reported during April, 1900 (a)	345
Number of births reported during April, 1901 (a)	69
Number of births reported during April, 1900 (a)	98

(a) These figures are for the city proper, the playa, and surrounding district of Ponce.